WASHINGTON.

The Sensational Stories About England and Cuba.

Services of the Cause of the Resumption of Recruiting.

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The Sand Slipping From Under Impeacher Ashley.

The Mosaic Cameron Deny Being Elected by Russell Young.

General Lee to Have an Interview With the President.

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INDIANAPOLIS.

Proceedings of the Indiana Legislature—Opposition to the Payment of Old Internal Improvement Bonds—Passage of the Bill Repealing Banks and Banking Associations—Death of A. J. Holmes, Typhoid and Four Murders to Date by Lightning.

[Special Dispatch to the Courier-Journal.]

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 29.—In the Senate to-day Mr. Carson offered a concurrent resolution that the action of the Governor and Attorney-General in settling the claims of the General Government against the State by taking up the old internal improvement bonds was unauthorized by law, and that the State should make no provision for paying the old Internal Improvement debt, except as provided in the Senate bill. This proposition called out a lengthy debate. Finally a motion to indefinitely postpone pre-vailed—yeas 30, nays 17. The bill to authorize Bowen-Merrill to take possession of the property of their wards in this State was passed. A large number of bills were read a second time. The bill to provide for the serving of processe upon railroad companies was passed. The bill to exempt burial grounds from liens or sale on execution or other process, with an emergency clause, was passed.

In the House, Mr. Kercheval stated, the report that the name of Judge DeBoote, of Rockport, should fill the blank in the suppressed testimony in the Southern prison investigation did not appear to him. He denies any knowledge of the alleged facts or of the parties. Mr. Davis, of Floyd, made a similar disavowal for Mr. J. F. Brown, of New Albany. The bill to make provision for the assessment and collection of taxes for municipal purposes on the shares owned by banks and banking associations doing business in this State, was taken up on its third reading. The discussion upon this bill occupied nearly the entire day, and it finally passed. Yeas, 74; nays, 14.

A. J. Holmes, Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, died at his home in Rochester, Fulton county, this morning. He had been connected with the Board for several years, and was regarded for his energetic business qualities.

Isaac Hayden and Jesse Williams and four others were instantly killed by a stroke of lightning on the farm of William H. Cunningham, five miles south from Martinsville, in Morgan county, during the storm of Wednesday evening. Six teams were plowing in the same field, and when the crash came all the horses ran away from fright, so that those who escaped the bolt of lightning were more or less hurt by the runaway.

ENGLAND AND CUBA.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—The representatives of the British Government here complain bitterly that the stories set afloat that England had been instrumental in inspiring the recent Spanish outrages are not only utterly untrue, but are calculated to impair the relations between that country and the United States. They declare that the story is preposterous from the fact that England has no knowledge of any provisional government in Cuba, and that the intelligence is a mere fabrication of some unofficial agents everywhere.

THE NATIONAL BANKS BEFORE CONGRESS.

Before the meeting of the House Banking and Currency Committee, this morning, Mr. Hooper Warren, of Massachusetts, was elected Chairman, pro tem. The attendance was large. Mr. Lynch, Mississippi, first addressed the Committee in favor of the bill to repeal the tax on State banks. Mr. Ambler, of Virginia, followed in favor of the bill. Mr. Hooper, of Massachusetts, spoke in favor of repealing the tax on State banks. Mr. Hooper was followed by Mr. Hill, of Georgia, who spoke in favor of repealing the tax on State banks. Mr. Hill was followed by Mr. Hooper, who

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RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION.
THE DAILY.

KENTUCKY NEWS.

A tobacco sale, to be held in Paducah before the 1st of May, is talked of.

The Fenelon crop of Fayette county will be unusually large this year.

Wool-buyers are active in Bourbon county.

The Bourbon county whisky is very dull and the prices are lost to sight.

The boundaries of Russellville are being continually extended.

Religion and temperance are engaging a liberal degree of attention in Hazelton.

A railroad from Maysville to Newark, Ohio, is seriously talked of.

Hardison county has decided not to subscribe any more stock for her 2nd grounds, but to build a road to the Ohio river.

Four sweet-horses were recently broken upon near Lexington. One gentleman got a trip for his labors, but they stole you, mean and all.

Concerts, lectures, etc., are almost entirely banished from Paris for the want of a town hall.

Harry Jordan, one of the mail agents on the Kentucky Central, has fallen beneath the official axe.

Lewis Willis, the negro who stole Dr. Avery's horse in Paris recently, has been captured and lodged in jail. The mare was recovered.

T. J. Adams, of Georgia, sold to Wm. McCracken, of Lexington, a pair of Modoc chickens and one dozen eggs for $30.

S. H. Files' "Bay" horse won the $300 purse at the Spring Plains, at Smithland, last Saturday.

The Knights of Russellville and vicinity propose to attach any member of small rings next year, and to expel him if occasion requires.

The annual horse show at Russellville, on Monday last, was the largest and most successful ever held in that county.

Mrs. Mary Plunkett, a worthy Irish lady, was brought to Georgetown on Friday last in a raving condition. She was refused a lodging by the Asylum at Lexington.

Jos. H. Northcutt, of White Sulphur, Scott county, has contracted to deliver 100 car loads of corn, per day, for which he paid $40.

A difficulty occurred on Cane Ridge, Bourbon county, on Sunday between Colonel Bedford and Mr. Hedges, in which the latter was seriously handled.

W. W. Cheney, Esq., has returned to Cynthiana, after a visit to Chicago. He will resume the practice of his profession—the law—and has formed a partnership with Gen. Boone as a lawyer and manager before the courts.

McDonald, marshal of Sharpsburg, shot and killed a few evenings since, a negro man named Gabriel Tobbs widow of Billy nine-teen years of the people of Covington, and the negro was in custody from the coroner's jury, but escaped from the constable in the night.

A meeting will be held at the Court-house in Paris on Saturday next to take steps to celebrate the 4th of July, which is supposed will be the last one to be celebrated.

W. K. Robb, Esq., late Sheriff-elect of this county, has been appointed by Judge Ayres Master Commissioner in the place of Wm. Bullock, resigned.

A large number of the citizens of Hazelgreen have signed a call upon Col. Jo. Hargis, to become a candidate for the lower house of the Legislature. Col. Hargis is a man of fine ability and has always been found battling for the right.

A. Bell says that a speedy man, while driving a horse attached to a buggy, came to his house on Saturday last, and left the horse standing in front of the house. The horse became frightened at the cars, and ran off, breaking the buggy to pieces. Mr. Bell's son, who was in the buggy, escaped unhurt.

Mr. Wm. Cox, of Jessamine, Hon. Jas. Hughes, of Fayette, and Mr. Johnson, Esq., of Scott, have been appointed by the Governor commissioners to locate the site for the Agricultural College, which has recently been established by the Legislature.

The Board of Council of Covington has finally decided that railroad bridges, 20 feet above high water, shall be built by citizens of Covington, and that the bridges now in process of erection are not engaged in violation of the ordinance.

Mudeman, a country painter, was tried on Monday for the murder of Mr. Bell, in Bourbon on a former occasion, in which every one was present, and the jury were unable to agree, standing nine for acquittal and three for conviction. The case will probably be tried again.

Mr. W. S. Clarkson, of Bradfordville, Washington county, Ky., writes to the proprietors of the Louisville Journal to forward a specimen copy of that paper to him at that place, as he wishes to subscribe for it, and thinks from the specimen he has seen of it that it is worth the money.

Twenty additional miles of the Macon and Brunswick (Ga.) railroad have just been completed, and the cars are now running over it daily.

In removing the debris of the Pacific Hotel, in St. Louis, a few days since, the workmen say they found the bodies of still three more dead negroes, which makes seven that have been found since the fire.

The Mayor of Macon, Ga., orders all persons other than retired officers or soldiers, who wear a gray uniform, to keep off the sidewalks, and to keep off the centre of the streets when they meet a body of troops. Any one refusing to obey the order will be arrested, and if found guilty, will be fined $50 for each offence.

Says the editor of the Paris Kentuckian, Judge Sandidge, Marshall says as a compliment that of the 1,000 persons he pardoned during his term of office, but one of them has ever been convicted of a crime, and that one, Scott Cooper, was convicted of killing Mr. Winscott was a cowardly murder, and Mr. Winscott's widow and children have the sympathy of the whole community in the struggle they have to make for their recovery up to the writing of the above.

A Lockport correspondent informs the New York Times that on Sunday, the 18th inst., Mr. Jas. Bates, son of Mr. Asher Bates, and James Crowell, while wandering through the woods in Somerset county, Niagara, found, in a cave, from the effects of which they were overcome by the gas, the dead bodies of seven persons, the other one, Mr. Crowell's son, being still alive. The latter was taken out in a senseless condition, and is now doing well, with every prospect of his speedy recovery.

SOUTHERN NEWS.

Montgomery, Ala., has a large stone-ware manufacturing company.

A strike among the brick-molders of St. Louis is in progress.

Gold has been discovered near Savannah, Mo.

A divorce was granted a woman sixty years old, in St. Louis, the other day.

Jacob Thompson is going back to Mississippi.

Nashville is shipping brooms of her own manufacture to Cincinnati.

Strawberries raised near Nashville sell at only $2 a quart.

Nashville is clearing at a huge ox raised in Bourbon county, Ky., he weighs 1,545 pounds.

The Literary Journal will soon be issued in Galveston, Texas.

Prof. Gamage is in Houston, Texas, interesting the ne-nailed cattle thereon.

Crop prospects throughout Texas are reported as quite satisfactory.

A little girl was gored and terribly lacerated by a bull a few days since, near Nashville.

The Warrior river (Alabama) recently rose 30 feet, and washed away a new cotton wharf. Great damage was done in the bottom lands.

Carnesville, Ga., has invited Athens to attend a May-day festival at that place, and Athens has promised to be present in force.

On the 20th instant the thermometer stood at 102 deg. in the sun and 90 in the shade at noonday, Ga.

The ice upon the Tennessee river at Florence has disappeared, and can be rebuilt. It was the thickest ever known in rebel country.

The Indian who was found dead a few days since near Atlanta, Ga., is believed to have been murdered.

Memorial Day was very generally and properly observed on the 26th inst. throughout the South.

Six or seven white men have been murdered in the vicinity of Selma, Ala. since the war.

About forty feet of the large stone wall at the rear of the Old Hotel in Nashville fell into the street the other day.

The accounts from all sections of East Tennessee represent the growing wheat as promising more than an average harvest.

The Nashville and Northwestern R. R. has been fully repaired, and on Sunday last trains were running on the road. Regular trips between Nashville and Memphis will commence on the 1st of May.

A suit of black cloth clothes and a white hat were stolen on the river bank at Nashville a few days since, and were brought into the city by the thief, who was seen from the turtle wharf below.

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A whale forty feet long, yielding eight barrels of oil and sixty-nine gallons of pure oil and more than four hundred pounds of whalebone, was taken near Cape Lookout, North Carolina, on the 15th inst.

Captain Michael Walsh, of Nashville, has given a bond of $50,000, required by law for the faithful performance of his duties as the next Revenue Collector for the ensuing year.

There is said to be good complaint from people who live along the Louisville and Nashville Railroad in the matter that runs the ordinariness of the so-called pound car on that line they depot receive their papers sometimes until after the train has left.

The notorious horse thief and midnight marauder, Ed Gunn, who has been lying in jail at Lexington, Tenn., awaiting his trial, made his escape on Tuesday last. He was not officially missed for an hour, being one of the opportunity to escape with which he had been favored. "Good-by," was heard all that there was done for. Sheriff Dr. Rogers for his part in behalf of the authorities of the county, we must say that the Gun is not to be found. Another reliable and well-known negro man, Mack Sanders, is also missing.

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Forney's Tour.

Col. Forney and the party of gentlemen traveling with him appear to have been shot through the head to out of a cannon. What they could learn in six or seven hours is what we don't say, was that they had received nothing. Many editors of have been glad of the opportunity to speak with Mr. Forney, but they have not "found" "was found all that there was done for. Should Dr. Forney for his part be in behalf of the authorities of the South, we must say that the Ship is not to be discovered. Another reliable and well-known negro man, Mack Sanders, is also missing.

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John Russell Young.

Mr. John Russell Young, now or lately the managing editor of the New York Tribune, says in a letter which we published yesterday in relation to the very extraordinary exposition in which his name has been figuring unenviably during the last two or three days:

> I do not believe in suits for libel, as a general thing, but I have given the editor of the Sun opportunity to explain and defend this transaction with private correspondence before a jury of his countrymen. Having done this I have only to say there is nothing in those letters which I cannot explain, whenever explanation is proper. It is not proper here and now.

We can't agree with Mr. Young. He says that he can explain everything in his remarkable series of letters that we copied from the New York Sun on Tuesday, but that an explanation is not proper now. Certainly "now" is the most proper of all times. There should be no unnecessary delay of even a single hour. The imputations under which Mr. Y. now lies and from which his own letters seem to leave no means of escape, are such as he should not remain under willingly for one minute. We would not bear hard upon him in the day of his adverse fortune, but we bid him hasten his vindication if he can make one. To talk about bringing a libel suit against an editor for publishing private letters will do him no good. If he postpones his explanation on account of a libel suit to be tried at some future period, that period will never come.

The Post says, that, if the comments of the New York Sun on this correspondence prove true, "the whole press will receive from this case a shock to its influence, a stain on its character, the effect of which may counterbalance many years of upright and honorable labor on the part of others in the service of the public." We don't concur in this view of the matter at all. If Mr. Young cannot make, or if he shall fail to make, the satisfactory explanation that its half promises, it will certainly be a deplorable thing for him, but we do not see how it is to give a shock and impart a stain to the whole newspaper press. If the whole press could be shocked by the misconduct of a single member, a member too occupying a subordinate position, the whole press would have been shocked to death a great many years ago. We have no doubt that the press will generally unite in wishing to Mr. Young, who, if he has not been, might have been, an honor to it, a safe and quick deliverance from the murky shadow that covers him, but he cannot expect the press to identify itself with him and undertake his defense as something necessary to its self-defense.

The character of the American press is not involved in this matter.

The Cabinet.

It is said that Secretaries Fish and Borie and Attorney General Hoar have notified the President of their wish to leave the Cabinet, and that they are expected to go out within four weeks. The anticipated change excites no attention and causes no comment. There is no desire that the three Cabinet ministers shall remain, for no one thinks them of any consequence where they are, and there isn't any particular wish that they shall go out for there is no confidence that Grant would put any better persons in their places. The masses of the people look on in dead apathy, letting men and things at Washington take their own course.

The history of Washburne's brief connection with the Cabinet was disgraceful to all concerned. He asked to be made Secretary of State merely as a compliment and for the sake of character, saying that he would resign in a week. It was grossly indelicate in him to ask such a thing and flagrantly improper on the part of the President to accord it. The office of Secretary of State is or should be too high and dignified a one to be applied to the vain and ignoble use of paying empty compliments.

If a President ever means to devote himself in good faith and in all earnestness to the grave and solemn duties of the Presidency, if he ever means to *act* President and not merely to *play* President, he should certainly try to do so in the bestowal of the highest and most important and responsible office in his gift. But Washburne, after obtaining, as a concession from the President's weakness and personal partiality, the compliment of the Secretaryship to be at once surrendered back, made all haste to turn the compliment to the best possible account by nominating his own personal friends for all the valuable offices at the Secretary's disposal, leaving little or no patronage to be distributed by the successor who was so soon to take his place. The proceeding was a trickish one, and the President, if he had known what was due to himself and to the demands of honor, would have shown his resentment by assigning Washburne to no new position whatever. The man is deserving of no position except one of disgrace, and such a one he will be pretty sure to make for himself wherever he may go.

Stupidly Unended.

Some donkey has been telegraphing after this fashion from Washington concerning a recent vote in the House:

> The fact that all the Republican rebels, led by Garfield, Schenck, Payne, and Churchill, led the friends of Mr. Covod to distrust a vote of the House upon his case, and the Republicans with Democrats could have given a seat to his Democratic opponent; but they accordingly had the case sent back to the committee to take additional testimony. There is no doubt of Covode's eventually getting his seat.

We take leave once more to say—and we are tired of the opportunity to do it—that Mr. Covode's a Republican as Mr. Covode—that may might as well make a defection in the Republican ranks an astronomical event—that Mr. Covode is a question involving only the law and the evidence, and all elections are. We hope Mr. Covode has better reasons for expecting to get his seat than any trust or distrust in the integrity of his fellow Republicans because he is a Republican. There is a way of relieving people who write such stuff as the above sometimes of the self-imposed stigma of dishonesty but it is not a way creditable to the intelligence of Mr. H. Winters.

The New York Tribune, which, upon at least two or three occasions in its long lifetime, has been suspected of being measurably candid, should be heartily ashamed of the remarks we have quoted from its columns. When the editor of that paper says that men might as well talk of a defection in the Republican ranks on astronomy or the census as on an election case, he is guilty of such a bold and audacious violation of hundreds of the most notorious facts as even the tenth-rate politicians of his party, fellows scarcely presuming to set up pretentions to character, would be ashamed to commit. He knows, as well as he knows any fact in his own life, as well as he knows that he wears a white hat, that his Radical friends in Congress, time and again and scores of times, have decided the titles to contested seats in their body upon the strength of partisan considerations. To suggest particular cases to his mind cannot be necessary; he has enough of them in his mind already. Not four weeks ago Radical candidates for Congress, defeated by majorities of three thousand, nine thousand, and even more, were admitted to seats just as if they had been elected. And does any human being suppose that Sam McKee, of Kentucky, if he had been a Democrat, would have been admitted to a seat in the House after he had been defeated by a majority of nearly two thousand in the popular vote in his District? What can the editor of the Tribune mean?

Negro Clerks.

The heads of departments at Washington have made a brisk beginning of the business of appointing negroes to clerkships. One of their last negro appointees is a son of Fred. Douglass. Whatever we may think of the taste or the wisdom of their negro experiment, we are disposed to express no objection, so they operate upon their own political capital, giving up to the negroes a portion of their own official patronage. Of course we know that they will give no portion of it to a Democrat, and they can, for aught we care, divide out the whole among Radicals of different colors as best suits them. We shall like very well to see whether black radicals are more or less efficient than white ones, more or less faithful, more or less honest, but we apprehend that the main rivalry between them will be for the palm of inefficiency, laziness, and roguery. A cotemporary says, that, if it could be done in no other way, he "would not object to see the country saved even by negroes." Nor would we, but we might afterwards consider the country as the Queen of Lilliput did her palace when Gulliver had extinguished the flames that were consuming it—a thing unfit to live in.

How the Taxes Come and Go.

It takes fifty-seven paymasters of all grades, from Brigadier General down, to do nothing in the world but to pay off the present standing army of the United States, fifty-seven salaried officers to do what less than a tenth part of the number could do as well; it takes a legion of officeholders, at a vastly-increasing expense every year, to collect from the people the money for furnishing the paymasters with funds to pay the army; and it takes the whole people of the United States, twisting and turning and stinting themselves and their families and practicing all possible devices and expedients, to pay the taxes, which the paymasters and other office-holders use so profusely. It is thus that the taxes are paid, it is thus that they are spent. Extravagance and oppression go hand in hand, each accelerating its pace to keep pace with the other. Year by year our national revenue is diminishing, and year by year our national prodigality is increasing. If things continue thus, how far off is the end? Is a telescope needed to bring it within the range of vision?

Grant's Revenges.

The appointment by General Grant of a colored servant officer in Georgia is agreeable also to the rebels there of what they may come. They are contended stoutly for the right to exclude the negro from State office, and we trust that they will continue to contend stoutly for that right so long as it remains a right. If Gen. Grant, as "a gentle hint" to them, has appointed a negro to a high national office in their State, that's his own affair and not theirs. He and not they must be responsible for it. And if, as is threatened, he means to give other and similar illustrations of "the course he intends to take with refractory States and citizens," that is with States and citizens that don't choose to have negroes in their State offices, he can of course, so far as his constitutional power goes and so far perhaps as it doesn't go, suit himself. The citizens of States will, we hope, fill the State offices, which are their own, with white men, and, if Grant, in revenge for their doing this, sees fit to fill the Federal offices, including even the places in his Cabinet, with negroes, thinking thereby to punish the "refractory States and citizens," let him by all means lay himself out in the noble work.

President Johnson's Power Over the Senate.

President Johnson, it will be remembered, appointed a number of officers just as his term was expiring, and had them confirmed through and confirmed by the Senate. The commissions have not yet been issued, nor is it probable that they will be. The Attorney General has the matter under consideration, however, and in the meanwhile the old officers retain their places.—[Pittsburg Gazette.

Well, let the Radical organ at Pittsburg inform us, if it can, how the cases of those officers have been or are likely to be disposed of. Has the Attorney General got through considering? If so, what is the result? The Gazette tells us that President Johnson, just as his term was expiring, made his appointments "and had them rushed through and confirmed by the Senate." The phrase implies that he exercised a peculiar *power* over the action of the Senate, the power to *have* his appointments "rushed through and confirmed." Whence and by what means did he possess himself of the prerogative of *having* his appointments "rushed through and confirmed" by a body almost unanimously hostile to him both politically and personally? What was the spell, the magic, the sorcery, the witchcraft, the devilry, that he used? Should not a committee have been appointed for the investigation of this mysterious subject? Should not one be appointed at the next session?

CITY ITEMS.

Business Houses of Louisville—Cards' Safety Appendix.

In order to bring a great invention more conspicuously before the public, the inventor, Mr. Cards, has connected with this office for one thousand (1,000) Appendix Cards, adaptable to the needs of the business houses of Louisville, to be judiciously distributed in the business streets of Louisville and Tennessee. In addition to the matter pertaining to the "Gas Apparatus," a limited number of pages will be devoted to business cards, affording an excellent opportunity to our business firms for advertising at reasonable rates. The fact that the pamphlets will be issued from this office is a sufficient guarantee that the work will be well executed.

Messrs. Morris, Southwick & Co., have advertised in the auction columns of this morning's paper, a splendid farm to be sold next Tuesday to the highest bidder.

Valuable Property at Marshal's Sale.

By an advertisement in the proper column it will be seen that the Marshal of the Chancery Court will, on Monday next, at 11 o'clock, offer for sale that valuable piece of property on the south side of Market street, below Third, now occupied by S. Goldsaw and C. Henry Dorn, being 25 feet 6 inches on Market by 204 feet in depth, on a credit of 6, 12, 18, 24 and 30 months. This is one of the most central and best located pieces of business property in Louisville.

Real estate buyers, don't forget the sale of excellent residence store, next Monday, near Cedar Park. Morris, Southwick & Co., auctioneers.

Have You Seen These?

Three beautiful porcelains, finished in oil, at Webster's gallery. They are perfect gems, and will last forever. 26 Fourth street.

Go to Fay's Gallery, 74 Fourth street, and get some of those nice Ferrotypes. They are made and finished in ten minutes, and if you do not like them you need not take them away.

Everything for 50 cents at the FIFTY CENT Store. Opens Saturday night, May 1st, 20½ Fifth street.

If you would have a fine photograph for next thing to nothing, and J. C. Hirod's old Gallery, Main, below Fourth. Take your baby.

The Most Perfect Iron Tonic.

Hegeman's Ferrated Elixir of Bark. A pleasant cordial prepared from Calisaya Bark and Pyrophosphate of Iron, possessing the valuable properties of iron, phosphorus and calisaya, without any injurious ingredients. As a preventive to fever and ague, and as a tonic for patients recovering from fever or other sickness, it cannot be surpassed, and is recommended by the most eminent physicians. Physicians in prescribing, and the public in purchasing, should be particular to specify Hegeman's, as there are many inferior articles in the market purporting to be of the same combination. Prepared only by Hegeman & Co., Chemists and Druggists, New York, and sold by all respectable druggists.

Wall paper, new, cheap and elegant, for sale by Pike & Lindsay, 73 Fourth street, next door to the National Hotel. Samples sent to parties in the country.

French Velocipede Soap

Manufactured by the Société Distillaire. For sale by

PETER, POWERS & COOPER,
R. A. ROBINSON & CO.,
H. CHAMBERS & CO.

LOCAL NOTICES.

BASKETS, ALL KINDS,

as Ladies' Reticules, Cap, Furnished Lunch, and small Lunch Baskets, Work Baskets in all styles, and stands, Knife, Fork and Spoon, Key, Cigar, Scrap, Market, Clothes, and Laundry Basket, and all kinds, just received, and offered at the lowest prices, at Rogers's House Furnishing Emporium, 140 south side Market, between Fourth and Fifth.

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Removal.

D. J. Murray has removed his Variety Store, under National Hotel, No. 71 Fourth street, immediately opposite his old stand. Constantly on hand a very large assortment of fancy goods, toilet articles, perfumeries, soaps, hair brushes and combs, porte-monnaies, morocco traveling bags, work-baskets, whips, canes, willow ware, ladies' sewing and large arm-chairs, feather dusters, toys of every description, sanchez and walking dolls, children's rolling hoops, baby buggies, wheelbarrows, cake and rocking horses, India rubber goods, mechanical toys, birds, bird cages, &c., &c. All imported goods.

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The best and original basic of iron, phosphorus, and culture's, known as Caswell, Mack & Co.'s Ferrocyphosphate Elixir of Calisaya Bark. The iron restores color to the blood, and the calisaya gives a natural healthful tone to the digestive organs, thereby curing dyspepsia in its various forms, wakefulness, general debility and depression of spirits. Manufactured only by CASWELL, HAZARD & CO., New York. Sold by all druggists. ja25 d1aw7thsweowly

HOME MANUFACTURE.

The Alaska Refrigerator, with water-cooler attached, the most complete and best Refrigerator in the market. All sizes manufactured by Pyne & Creighton, No. 82 Fourth street, between Market and Main.

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Chapped hands, face, rough skin, pimples, ringworm, salt-rheum, and other cutaneous affections, cured, and the skin made soft and smooth, by using the Juniper Tar Soap made by Caswell, Hazard & Co., New York. It is more convenient and easily applied than other remedies, avoiding the trouble of the greasy compounds now in use. ja15 d&Tthsweowly

French China, Glass, and Queensware,

Just received direct from the manufacturers, and for sale at the lowest prices, wholesale and retail, at J. Doltinger & Co.'s china store, No. 96 Market, between Third and Fourth.

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Frank Maiden,

Wedding and Visiting Card Engraver, 108 Jefferson, between Third and Fourth, has received a fine assortment of the latest styles French note papers, ranging in prices from 16c. per quire and upwards. ap25 deod1w

The purest and sweetest Cod-liver Oil in the world, manufactured from fresh, healthy livers, upon the sea shore; it is perfectly pure and sweet. Patients who have once taken it can take no other. Ask for "Hazard & Caswell's Cod-liver Oil," manufactured by CASWELL, HAZARD & CO., of New York. Sold by all druggists. ja15 d1aw84weowly

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New Ready,

the most complete and varied assortment of Pencils, Valises, Traveling Satchels, &c., to be found in this city, in prices that defy competition, at

R. R. MILLER'S,
No. 57 Main, bet. second and Third streets.

Money Loaned on Collateral Security,

such as diamonds, silver plate and other valuables. Diamonds and watches bought and sold, by C. Bayer, 69 Johnson street, opposite Tripp's music store. ap21 d1m

Cheap, Cheaper, Cheapest,

and best, especially as last applied to the complete assortment of Saddles, Harness, &c., at

No. 57 Main, bet. second and Third streets.

Building lots for sale on Chestnut, Madison, and Hancock streets, near Twenty-third street, by ap10 d2f GRAVES & SON.

Stop! Listen for a Moment!

WHY DO YOU SUFFER with sick headache, biliousness, indigestion, constipation? Why have a disordered stomach, when by stopping into a drug store you can obtain a sure remedy in Dr. Graves' Vegetable Liver Pills? They are a positive cure for all diseases of the liver, stomach, and bowels. Why suffer from the poisonous effects of mercurial pills? Dr. Graves' Liver Pills are purely vegetable, and will not salivate. Why suffer from piles, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from sick headache, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from constipation, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from indigestion, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from jaundice, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from dyspepsia, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from biliousness, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from fever and ague, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the liver, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the stomach, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the bowels, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the blood, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the kidneys, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the bladder, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the urinary organs, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the skin, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the eyes, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the ears, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the nose, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the throat, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the lungs, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the heart, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the brain, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the nerves, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the muscles, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the bones, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the joints, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the skin, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure you? Why suffer from any disease of the eyes, when Dr. Graves' Liver Pills will cure

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WANTED—FIRST-CLASS SELF-reliant COOK, one who understands her business and can come well recommended. Apply at 1,000 Main street, between Fifth and Sixth.

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WANTED—MALE WORK MADE EASY—500 men wanted to buy the Improved Self-Sharpening Steel Plow. Address J. T. VERDIN, Louisville, Ky.

WANTED—IMMEDIATELY—A good woman to do cooking and washing for a small family. Apply at 1,000 Main street, between Fifth and Sixth.

WANTED—SOAP MANUFACTURERS AND others—Wanted, a purchaser for a first-class SOAP FACTORY, doing a good business, with a fine trade established. Address, for three days, P. O. Box 1,000, Louisville, Ky.

WANTED—TO RENT, WITH OR WITHOUT board, a small COTTAGE HOUSE, in a healthy locality, by a gentleman and wife. Address, stating terms, "COTTAGE," Courier-Journal office.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY AN EXPERIenced BOOK-KEEPER. Address "BOOK-KEEPER," Courier-Journal office.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A MIDDLE-aged man as COOK in a private family. Can give satisfactory reference. Address "COOK

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WASHINGTON.

The Sensational Stories About England and Cuba.

Surmises of the Cause of the Resignation of Recruiting.

Boreful Box-Row of Petticoats and Panniers.

Equal Rights, "Rickety" Children, and President Grant.

The Sand Slipping From Under Impeacher Ashley.

The Mosaic Concern Dog Dying. Pleased by Russell Young.

General Lee to Have an Interview With the President.

&c., &c., &c.

ENGLAND AND CUBA.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—Special reports from natives of the British Provinces have been received which state that the Bermuda and Bahama Islands are responsible for Cuban insurrection. They also say that the Spanish Government is not to blame for the existence of such an association as is contemplated, a committee was appointed to learn the facts, and they have reported that the New Orleans steamer company to advance the interests of the guilty Government; also to coerce the people of St. Louis and Chicago to withdraw their trade, if the charter will permit the establishment of a branch at New Orleans; and that the Captain of the vicera of the Mississippi River to establish a branch to carry out the object under consideration.

A letter addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, with a communication was read urging the necessity of a mercantile convention in New Orleans in May.

THE DOMINION.

Progress of the Printers' Strike—Resumption of Navigation.

MONTREAL, C. E., April 28.—All of the Printers' printing offices have agreed to pay the journeymen demanded by the union. The English papers continue firm in the refusal of the demands of the printers, and say that if the British printers are not starving for the Dales.

The Montreal Board of Revenue Boards

INDIANAPOLIS.

Proceedings of the Indiana Legislature.

Fierce Opposition to the Payment of Old Internal Improvement Bonds—Passage of the Bill Taxing Banks and Banking Associations.

An Old Widow Two Men and Four Horses Killed by Lightning.

[Special Dispatch to the Courier-Journal.]

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 29.—In the Senate to-day Mr. Gordon offered a concurrent resolution that the action of the Governor and Adjutant General in settling the claims of the General Government against the State by taking up the old Internal Improvement bonds was unauthorized by law, and that the State should make no provision for paying the old internal improvement debt, except as provided by the Butler bill. The resolution was tabled on a motion by Mr. Kelly's motion to indefinitely postpone pro-rata—yeas 30, nays 17. The bill to authorize foreign guardians to take possession of the property of their wards in this State was passed. A large number of bills were read a second time. The bill to provide for the serving of processes upon railroad companies was passed. The bill to exempt burial grounds from liens or sale on execution or other process, with an emergency clause, was passed.

In the House, Mr. Kercheval stated the report that the cause of Judge DeBoute, of Rockport, should fill the blank in the suppressed testimony in the Southern prison investigation did injustice to him. He denies any knowledge of the alleged facts or of the existence of the report of Floyd, under similar disavowal for Mr. J. J. Bowen, of New Albany. The bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes for municipal purposes on the shares owned by banks and banking associations doing business in this State, was taken up on its third reading. The discussion upon this bill occupied nearly the entire day, and it finally passed. Yeas, 76; nays, 29.

A. J. Holmes, Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, died at his home in Rochester, Fulton county, this morning. He had been connected with the Board for several years, and was respected for his energetic business qualities.

Isaac Hughes and Jesse Williams and four horses were instantly killed by a stroke of lightning on the farm of William A. Cunningham, three miles from Martinsville, in Morgan county, during the storm of Wednesday evening. Six teams were plowing in the same field, and when the cloud came all the horses ran away from fright, so that those who escaped the bolt of lightning were more or less injured in their flight.

M. U. EXPRESS CO.

Investigation of its Affairs by a Select Committee of the New York Assembly.

ALBANY, April 29.—In the afternoon session of the Assembly, H. Ray, from the select committee to investigate the affairs of the M. U. Express Company, reported that they had had fourteen sessions, and also condemned the principle of corporations having the power to control the operations of the directors. The committee had no evidence of bad faith toward the stockholders on the part of the organization of the company. It was not got up to be sold out, but to act as an independent organization. The committee do not recommend any change in the present status of the company, and detail the difficulties encountered, the restrictions of the railroad companies, and the struggle for the existence of the Express Company. It is against the policy of any company or any corruption in manipulating stock.

Third—The stock of such companies, when issued at its stock-guard, is liable to get into the hands of irresponsible parties.

Fourth—That the stockholders of express companies are solvent public dealings with them have greater security than with corporations, and that the collection of bills and private farmers for the obligations of the company is unlimited.

Fifth—The system is open to the objections of close corporations. Officers virtually hold their positions for life. There is little check upon their actions. The real interests of the concern can only be known to the directors, and every facility for successful gambling in stock is guaranteed.

Sixth—Forfeiture of property agents of companies at one price, and hiring over the same at another price, is a legitimate field for exercise of fraud and peculation. The whole system of receiving commissions for purchases by agents of companies is an objectionable one, and should be restrained by statute. The charges against officers and agents of the Express Company, in the matter of the purchase of certain real estate on Broadway, N. Y., the witnesses failed to substantiate. Arthur Scott, assistant to the Treasury Department, Mr. Boutwell gave audience to a number of gentlemen in the sub-treasury, and in the afternoon called the stock-gamblers. It was introduced to the members from the President's rostrum, and was received with cheers, when he made a few remarks relating to this, since that he should faithfully collect the revenues due the government, and apply them to the public expenses. Various rumors on any statement that the Hops will absolutely and positively be wanted. Similarly to Indian corn in the Middle Ages, all corn will be used for distilling purposes. Now, if the royal prince breakfasts off a bowl of it, it is said that the treacherous informer was soundly buffeted by the guard for her Bi-thusic lockjarty. This version of the affair does not seem to have gone beyond the fact that the custom of making April fools was well known in the time of Louis the Thirteenth of France. It was the occasion of the curious expression, *poisson d' Avril*. The swimming story explains the fact, but leads one to believe that the incident was not the real origin of the dedication of the first of April to fools. Sometimes, who photographs all the cabinet, let's take the attitude of a fish. The military will remain on duty a day or two.

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JACKSON.

Enrollment of Jurors—Detention of Mails and Damages to Crops by Contumacious Rains.

JACKSON, Miss., April 29.—Gen. Ames has issued an order to Assessors to proceed to the enrollment of all persons eligible for jury duty without regard to race, color or previous condition.

The continuous rains of the past eight days have swollen all the streams and stopped trains from running on the Vicksburg and Meridian Railroad. The damage can be repaired within ten days, and the Superintendent of the road advises mails for Vicksburg by way of Memphis and New Orleans. The Big Black river is a mile and a half wide at the Railroad bridge. Crops are seriously damaged, and will have to be replanted.

NEWARK.

Proceedings of the National Sunday School Convention.

NEWARK, April 29.—In the National Sunday School Convention this morning Mrs. Jennette Hoge, of Kansas, was added to the list of Vice Presidents. Rev. H. W. Beecher opened the discussion on the Sunday School Mission and was followed by Rev. S. H. Tyng, Jr., Dr. Peck, of the M. E. Church, and others.

The National Sunday School Convention was attended by an immense concourse this evening, overflowing into two overflow meetings. Eloquent addresses were made by Rev. John Hall, of New York, ex-Senator Frelinghuysen, Mr. Eggleston, of Chicago, B. McKeefe, of Philadelphia, and others. A letter from Vice President Colfax was read regretting his inability to attend the convention and sympathizing in its objects.

NEW YORK.

Latest Commercial and Financial Reports.

Secretary Boutwell Enlightens the Money Kings.

Gold Excited by the Government Sales.

&c., &c., &c.

[Special Dispatch to the Courier-Journal.]

MONEY.

NEW YORK, April 29.—Money continues in full supply at 6@7 per cent. Discounts at 7@10 per cent. Commercial paper is more plenty, as there have been considerable movements in various articles of merchandise, in expectation that prices have touched bottom for the present.

GOLD

was excited by the Government sale. The bids were for more than $6,000,000, the limiting of the award to $1,000,000 strengthening the market. The payment of May interest will commence to-morrow.

GOVERNMENT BONDS

further advanced at the second board. '62's were quoted at 121¾@122, '65's, new, 116¾@116¾; '67's 116¾@116¾; '68's 116@116¾, and 10-40's 107¾@108. The upward movement is due chiefly to the purchase of the foreign bankers, who are assisted by the report that the Secretary of the Treasury is about to purchase bonds in accordance with the law providing for a sinking fund. The close was at the highest price of the day.

SOUTHERN SECURITIES

were all lower. North Carolinas now were pressed for sale at 55 to 53¾, on reports that the State Treasurer has failed in his negotiations here to obtain the money necessary to pay the interest on the bonds of January 1st, 1869, and on the 1st inst. This announcement affected the entire list. Railway bonds are quiet.

RAILWAY SHARES

opened flat, declined considerably. Orders were received from Albany to sell New York Central, and these were free selling to realize on the whole list. Later in the day there was a vigorous effort to rally the market, but without any general result. New York Central, Michigan Southern and the Northwestern, however, recovered the decline and closed firmer. The old directors of the Michigan Southern were re-elected to-day. Miscellaneous shares were firmer towards the close.

SECRETARY BOUTWELL

visited the Stock Exchange to-day and made a short noncommittal speech.

NEW ORLEANS.

Gen. Joseph Hooker, of Gen. Barlow, United States Marshal, assumed office to-day.

CONDITION OF THE CANALS.

Intelligence from the line of the State canals show that they are generally in good condition.

OUR OWN MARKET REPORT.

NEW YORK, April 29.—Sixpence via 25 90@25 95 freely for prime State flour. State flour with holders very firm at 6d., and that price paid for Ohio flour. Wheat—The advance in prices for spring wheat checked the export demand, and winter wheats began to come in competition. Corn closed steady at the advance, but less buoyant. The speculative movement seems to have culminated.

PROVISIONS.

Pork closed a shade firmer, with buyers at $31 50. Lard—Prime steam quoted at 19½@19¾. Bacon—Long clear, 16½@16¾; long clear middles, 16½@16¾; short clear, 18@18½. Beef steady. Prime mess, $20 for prime steam, both on spot and future delivery. Hogs—City dressed easier at 12½@13c.

SMOKING.

Cotton quiet; Rio firmer. Sugar—Raw a shade firmer; fair to prime grocery 11¾@12¾c.

FREIGHTS.

Corn, 50,000 bushels to Glasgow, by steamer, at 1½d.

[To the Associated Press.]

SECRETARY BOUTWELL ON CHANGE.

NEW YORK, April 29.—The most important event in Wall street to-day was the visit of Secretary Boutwell, and the foreshadowing of the future policy of the Treasury Department. Mr. Boutwell gave audience to a number of gentlemen in the sub-treasury, and in the afternoon called the stock-gamblers. It was introduced to the members from the President's rostrum, and was received with cheers, when he made a few remarks relating to this, since that he should faithfully collect the revenues due the government, and apply them to the public expenses. Various rumors on any statement that the Hops will absolutely and positively be wanted. Similarly to Indian corn in the Middle Ages, all corn will be used for distilling purposes. Now, if the royal prince breakfasts off a bowl of it, it is said that the treacherous informer was soundly buffeted by the guard for her Bi-thusic lockjarty. This version of the affair does not seem to have gone beyond the fact that the custom of making April fools was well known in the time of Louis the Thirteenth of France. It was the occasion of the curious expression, *poisson d' Avril*. The swimming story explains the fact, but leads one to believe that the incident was not the real origin of the dedication of the first of April to fools. Sometimes, who photographs all the cabinet, let's take the attitude of a fish. The military will remain on duty a day or two.

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SPAIN.

PROMPT ACTION URGED.

MADRID, April 29.—The majority in the Constitutional Cortes are strongly decision, either for Duke Montpensier or Prince of Asturias as king or declaration of a republic. The Republicans are about to start a national petition in favor of a republic.

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First Acknowledged Magazine Article of Charles Dickens, Jr.

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ALL-FOOLS' DAY.

Why the first of April should have been specially devoted to the service of All Fools, is not very clear. That all fools should have a day set apart for their especial honor is reasonable and intelligible enough, there are so many of them, and they all occasionally position of an unfeeling disciple and imposture, but for what special reason the first of April should have been chosen as the fete day of fools is very doubtful. Let the Bloomfields from time immemorial have had their fools commemoration, the feast of Hull, on the 31st of March, and it would certainly appear as if there ought to be some old legendary reason for this particular time being so generally selected. Historians, however, are strike silent on the subject. The French (a Frenchman is nothing if not daring) dash boldly into etymological inquiries and have evolved for us a somewhat forced perversion, to derive their poisson d' Avril, another April fool, from poisson d' Avril. The Encyclopedia, however, while offering this explanation for the consideration of such of its readers as may be credulous enough to receive it, carefully expresses its opinion that it is not worth much, and propounds another solution of its own.

This story has it, that a prince of the house of Lorraine, confined in one of Louis the Thirteenth's prisons, made his escape on the first of April, by suborning across the moat, and in accordingly commemorated as a poisson d' April to this day. Why this should be so is not very clear, inasmuch as the jailers, and not the prince, would have been the April fools on the occasion. A later version of the same story would appear to be the correct one. Here the prince and his wife, escaping in the disguise of peasants on the first of April, were recognized by a servant maid as they were passing out of the castle gates. She immediately made for the guard-room, giving the alarm by the way, but, unluckily for her, unfortunately for her, though happily for the fugitives, although she may have forgotten that it was All Fools' day, the soldiers on guard had not. The information was treated with the utmost contempt, the soldiers declining to be made fools of, while the royal prince breakfasts off a bowl of it, it is said that the treacherous informer was soundly buffeted by the guard for her Bi-thusic lockjarty. This version of the affair does not seem to have gone beyond the fact that the custom of making April fools was well known in the time of Louis the Thirteenth of France. It was the occasion of the curious expression, *poisson d' Avril*. The swimming story explains the fact, but leads one to believe that the incident was not the real origin of the dedication of the first of April to fools. Sometimes, who photographs all the cabinet, let's take the attitude of a fish. The military will remain on duty a day or two.

SWITZERLAND.

DISMISSING OF MARRIED.

GENEVA, April 29.—It is reported to-day that the Swiss Government has requested Joseph Mazzini to leave the country. Mazzini lives at Lugano, near the Italian border, and his connection with the recent conspiracy in Milan and Turin is probably led the United States Government to make such a request of Switzerland.

SPAIN.

PROMPT ACTION URGED.

MADRID, April 29.—The majority in the Constitutional Cortes are strongly decision, either for Duke Montpensier or Prince of Asturias as king or declaration of a republic. The Republicans are about to start a national petition in favor of a republic.

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FRANCE.

Birthday of Napoleon the Great—Increased Pensions for Veterans.

The Emperor Napoleon has addressed the following letter to the Minister of State:

PALACE OF THE TUILERIES, April 15, 1869.

MONSIEUR LE MINISTRE: On the 15th August next, a hundred years will have elapsed since the Emperor Napoleon was born. During that long period many ruins have been accumulated, but the great figure of Napoleon has remained upstanding. It is that which still guides and protects us—it is that which, out of nothing, has made me what I am.

To celebrate the centenary date of the birth of the man who called France the great nation because he had developed in her the noble martial virtues which found emphrye, is for me a sacred duty, in which the entire country will desire to join. My wish, my object, is not only to honor that national jubilee is to spread a little comfort among the Emperor's old companions in arms.

The 2,700,000f. which the Legion of Honor distributed to them every year are insufficient to assure their existence.

I have thought that the *Caisse des Depot et des Consignations* might be made to distribute larger pensions to those old soldiers, by abandoning to it the credit granted by the Chamber during a number of years, necessary for the recovery of its advances. By that means aid will be efficaciously afforded to glorious misfortunes, without in any way modifying the provisions of the budget.

My desire is that from the 15th of August next every soldier of the Republic and of the First Empire should receive an annual pension of 250 francs.

The Legislative body, I have no doubt, will receive this proposal with the most cordial feeling by which it is so eminently animat d. It will thank, as I do, that in a period when complaints are made of the ingratitude of republics, to reward examples of patriotic devotedness and to recall them to the memory of the younger generations, cannot but be of great utility.

To awaken grand historical recollections is to encourage the faith in the future and to do honor to the memory of great men is to recognise one of the most striking manifestations of the Divine Will.

I beg you to come to an understanding with the Minister of Finances and of my household for the preparation of a bill and for its presentation without delay to the Legislative body, after having taken the opinion of the Council of State.

Whereupon, Monsieur le Ministre, I pray God to have you in his holy keeping.

NAPOLEON.

The St. Petersburg critics admit that Pauline Lucca was generously received at the Imperial Opera in that city, in a better constrictor than the Marquise de Caux, but state that she loses in the former, and of such skillful managers that her success was far greater than that of the Berlin diva.

FIRM.

The Cabinet Sardine Photographed.

[Correspondence Cincinnati Commercial, 26th.]

Fish has been the target of everybody. Most everybody wants to go abroad, and if they can only get "a little consulship, you know," they would be very glad, &c. The very persons who want to go abroad, you know, are the ones generally who can command the most influence, and the candidates being more numerous than for any of the other offices, the pressure brought to bear may be estimated. For a postmaster, an assessor, or collector, the Congressman of the district is all that is commonly required. For a foreign mission or consulship, with more or less pay, the postoffice or assessorship, a candidate with the indorsement of but one Congressman, whether member or Senator, would be kicked out of the State Department.

Yes, indeed! Consulates and missions are filled by men who command a half dozen Senators, a Cabinet officer, perhaps, and a dozen members thrown in. Reflect upon it for a moment and you will see what our Diplomatic list is loaded with.

I saw the Secretary the other night. I went to his house, a fine large brick mansion on the corner of Fifteenth and H streets, to get some points for the Commercial regarding the foreign appointments. I had been often welcomed to the house before when it was occupied by Senator Morgan, and I felt at home in the spacious library. I had not been able to note the changes which have taken place in the rooms, the substitution of this rare bit of art for something else, the disappearance of the massive old table for that of this, and the thousand little tasteful changes wrought, before the presence of the Secretary was made known. How can he be described, except as an Englishman, in manner, dress and appearance? You need not look into his larder, nor ask his steward, to learn if he is a good liver.

His lips, his nose, his eyes, his cheeks and chin, he say nothing of his handsomely-rounded stomach, tell you of the presence of toothsome food upon his table, the best of wine at his sideboard, and that Mount Havanas wilfully reach. Is he a genial gentleman? Could he be else, I say, being a good liver, having good digestion and no surface indications to the contrary. After dinner, you may leave Washington satisfied that you have seen the most courteous gentleman, in a social chat you will be sure to find it so. He doesn't give you the tips of his fingers in shaking hands with you. He grasps you cordially and heartily, and you feel sure that you are welcome without knowing whether he asked you to sit or not. And he doesn't look into your eyes to find out what you want, as if you came for, and suspicious that you want an office. He goes upon the presumption that you are a gentleman.

He speaks of this and that, of Cuba and its beautiful climate, of its delightful winters and of the people, of the struggles of Washington and the general topics of interest here. When you get ready to leave you can do it quickly, and you feel sure he believes he would be the same accomplished gentleman all night long. Do not think I speak knowingly of the Secretary. I never believe it

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RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION.
DAILY, DELIVERED IN THE CITY.
DAILY, SENT BY MAIL.
WEEKLY.

KENTUCKY NEWS.

A tobacco fair, to be held in Paducah during the 1st of June, is talked of.

Two pounds syrup of Peyote county will be considerably larger this year.

Wool-buyers are active in Bourbon county.

The Bourbon county whisky is very dull and no one will buy it.

The boundaries of Russellville are being considerably extended.

Building and improvements are engaging the attention of the people of Bardstown.

A railroad from Maysville to Newark, Ohio, is seriously talked of.

Harrison County has decided not to subscribe a single cent for the Kentucky Central.

Four more houses were recently broken into and robbed in Lexington. One gang of thieves was arrested and their booty recovered.

Concerts, lectures, etc., are almost entirely suspended from Paris for the want of a hall to hold them in.

Henry Jordan, one of the mail agents on the Kentucky Central, has fallen beneath the official axe.

Lewis Willis, the negro who stole Dr. Adair's horse in Paris recently, has been captured and lodged in jail. The mare was recovered.

T. J. Adams, of Georgia, sold to Wm. McClanahan, of Lexington, a pair of Bedan colts—one and one dozen each—for $30.

S. H. Price "Say" horse won the $200 purse at the United Riders' at Richland, last Saturday.

The Knights of Russellville and vicinity propose to have a new number of small steps next Saturday night, all the colonies, it is expected, participating.

The annual horse show at Russellville, on May 10th, promises to be the largest and most attractive witnessed there for years.

Mrs. Mary Plunkett, a worthy Irish lady, was brought to Georgetown on Friday last, and placed in the Asylum. She was a native of Ireland and came to the Asylum at Louisville.

Jos. H. Northcutt, of White Sulphur, Scott county, has purchased of Mr. Henry, of Louisville, the entire crop of wheat for next year, as it stands on said farm.

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McDonald, marshal of Sharpsburg, shot and killed a negro man named Jerry Hall, on Saturday last, in the streets of that town.

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WANTED—BARBERS, &c.—At the shop of [illegible]

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THE NEWS.

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Mobile contained the Illinois editors an [illegible] for two days.

The peach crop in the Tuscumbia, Ala., region will prove an entire failure.

South Carolina is [illegible] large quantities of cotton this season.

The Missouri Publishers' Annual Convention will be held in St. Joseph on the 18th of May.

Hon. C. W. Watson, re-appointed Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Maine, resigned on the 24th, and went out of office on the 26th.

Patrick H. Jones, the newly appointed Postmaster of New York, yesterday filed his bond with Secretary Boutwell.

Gen. Sherman presented diplomas to [illegible] Military Academy at Portsmouth, N. H., on Thursday last, and delivered an address to the graduates.

It is stated that the plenipotentiaries [illegible] will be invited to meet the Queen at Windsor Castle, on the 1st of May, and will be presented to her Majesty.

Marion Hope, [illegible] the Little Rock Gazette, has been appointed by Governor Clayton Commissioner of Immigration for the State of Arkansas.

The first [illegible] on the Lower Rio Grande for the season of 1869 will be held next week, and will be [illegible] favorable for the season.

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